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# THE RISE OF STRIDER HIRYU

In the future, the world is ruled by a dictator known as Grandmaster.

Under his reign, excessive overpopulation has caused starvation and war among all the people of the world...

Chronic environmental destruction has generated disease and genetic mutations ...

The world is polluted by increasing crime, drugs and human experimentation ...

Corrupt politicians wield absolute power ...

Evil organizations devote themselves to large-scale corporate crime ...

Those who fight for justice and peace are dealt with just the opposite - imprisonment and ruin ...

Now, a warrior arises from the depths of a dark city that never sees the sun ...

His name is Hiryu. His assigned mission is to defeat Grandmaster. With his light sword Cypher and his sharply honed physical skills, Strider Hiryu pounces as quick as lightning and as mercilessly as death!



# STRIDER 2

# BACKGROUND

### WHO IS HIRYU?

Hiryu is a special A-Class Strider and professional in assassination and destruction. He has mastered super-human physical skills and fights with his light sword Cypher. His real name, nationality, age, career and other data are all secret. As one of the few survivors of the recently defunct Striders organization, Hiryu is heading into his final mission.

### WHAT IS A STRIDER?

A Strider is an agent of an espionage organization called "Striders," whose origins are

closely related to the ninjas." "Striders" is a mercenary group that does not belong to any nation. Its agents specialize in underground activities such as information collection, destruction and assassination. The organization of Striders was recently destroyed and rumor has it that another Strider was involved in the sabotage that led to the group's annihilation.

### WHAT IS CYPHER?

Cypher is a sword-shaped weapon Hiryu uses at all times. Its edge generates plasma and nothing can withstand its razor-sharp blade. It is extremely hard to wield Cypher and very few Striders can use it well.

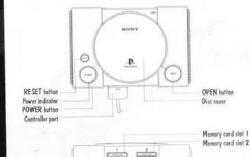


# STRIDER 2

# BPTING UP

Set up your PlayStation game console according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual. Make sure the power is off before inserting or removing a compact disc. Insert the STRIDER 2 disc and close the Disc Cover. Insert a game controller and turn on the PlayStation game console. Follow on-screen instructions to start a game.

Tip: Watch the game demos before starting play for game hints.



## MEMORY CARDS

To save game settings and results and continue play on previously saved games, insert a Memory Card into Memory Card Slot 1 of the PlayStation game console BEFORE starting play. < If you do not have a Memory Card, the game will allow you to play without saving game settings and results. >

Controller port 1 Controller port 2

See page 11 for more information on saving and loading game data.

# STARTING THE GAME

### GAME START

Press START during the intro and the Title screen will appear. Choose GAME START or OPTION with the Directional Buttons and confirm with the \* button.



GAME START

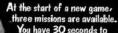
Start the game.

OPTION

Adjust the difficulty level, button assignments, and other game settings. See page 11 for details.



Choose a mission with the Directional Buttons and confirm with START or the \* button.



select your mission. When a mission starts, you'll see the mission objective and a mission map. As you complete these missions, more missions are unlocked.



fail a mission you'll have the option to continue. Press START on the Continue screen before the time is up to resume the mission.

# FRULT CONTROLS

### DURLSHOCK" ANALOG CONTROLLER

LI Button - Used for soft reset only

Directional Buttons - Highlight selections on screens and menus

Move Strider Hiryu while walking, climbing, crouching and jumping

FI Button - Used for soft reset only

- A Cancel selection - Slide
- -Boost - Attack

- X Confirm selection - Skip menu screens

### Start

Start game / Skip demo, Pause, Continue game

### Select

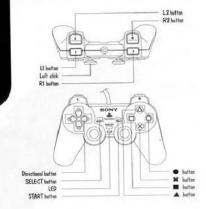
Open Pause menu when game is paused

- These are the default button assignments. To change them, use the Key Config option in Option mode <see page 112.
- This game is for one player only.

  The LEFT and RIGHT ANALOG STICKS are not used in this game.
- This game is compatible with DUALSHOCK analog controller vibration.



The controls on this page are also used for digital controllers.



# STRIDER 2

### TRIDER HIRYU'S ACTIONS

- O DOUBLE JUMP
- Press Jump <default \* button>, then press it again while in the air.
- WALL STICK
- Jump toward a wall or ceiling to stick to it, then move with the Directional Buttons.
- ЭИМР ООШИ,
- Press Jump while holding  $oldsymbol{\psi}$  to jump off a wall or ceiling.

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Press Boost <default ● button> Your attack will be super powerful for a while. Homing Plasma Waves will radiate from your Cypher sword. Boost requires one boost item <see page 10>

O DASH

Press the Directional button forward twice quickly. While dashing, press Jump for a longer jump.

SLIDE

- Press Slide <default ▲ button> while on the ground. You can also press ↓ + Jump to slide.
- BACKWARD SOMERSAULT
- Simultaneously press Jump and a Directional Button against the sliding direction.
- ARSSOU JUMP
- When on a wall, press Jump while holding a Directional Button against the wall.
- SAVAGE SLASH





# COMBAT SCREEN

### VITALITY GUAGE

Strider Hiryus remaining vitality. As he takes hits, the bars disappear. When the last bar vanishes, the game ends.

### Z BOOST COUNT

Number of Boost items you have. Press the button <default> to use one Boost and increase your attack power for a short time.

### BOSS GRUGE

Boss character's remaining vitality. Appears when Strider Hiryu fights a boss, including the Area Boss. The color bar decreases as Strider Hiryu's attacks take effect. When the gauge empties, the boss is defeated.

### SCORE

Your current score for the stage.

# 5 TIMER

Time you have to clear the area. If it reaches zero before you meet and defeat the area boss, the game ends. Collect items that appear on screen to increase your chances of winning. Some enemies drop items when they are defeated.



HI

Restores Strider Hiryus vitality by one bar.



HIRYU

Completely restores Strider Hiryu's vitality.



RYU

Increases Strider Hiryus maximum vitality by one har.



CYPHER

Increases Strider Hiryus attack power. When he gets attacked, the effect ends.



BOOST

Adds one Boost item.



SCORE

Increases your score. There are several kinds of Score items you can collect.



# STRIDER 2

### HON MENU

Select OPTION on the Title screen to go to the Option Menu. Choose an option with the Directional Buttons ↓↑. Change the setting with the Directional Buttons →← or press the button to display a submenu.



GRME LEVEL

Add stars to make the game more difficult.

TIME LIMIT

Set the game time to Normal or ∞ < Infinity - no time limit>.

VITALITY

Add stars to give Strider Hiryu more vitality at the start.

RAPID FIRE

Turn ON to attack rapidly by holding down the Attack button.

3 SOUND

Choose STEREO or MONO to match your speaker setup.

ADJUST SCREEN

Center your screen display.

RANKING

View both Score and Time rankings. Press START to return to the Option Menu.

KEY CONFIG

Reset the button assignments and turn the DUALSHOCK analog controller's vibration function ON/OFF.

SAVE/LOAD

Save or load ranking data and option settings. Insert a Memory Card into Slot 1. This game uses one block on a Memory Card.

- When you turn on your PlayStation game console with a Memory Card containing STRIDER 2 data, the game will load automatically.
- Do not turn off or reset your PlayStation game console while saving/loading game data. Doing so may destroy the data.

EXIT

Return to the Title screen. < You can also press START to return.>

Press START any time during play to bring up the Pause Menu. Choose an option with the Directional Buttons  $\checkmark \uparrow$  and then press the x button.

-MENU-

CONTI NUE

KEY CONFIG. ADJUST SCREEN



**O** CONTINUE

Resume the game.
<You can also press START to resume.>

KEY CONFIG

Reset the button assignments <see above >

ADJUST SCREEN

Center your screen display.

@ EXIT

Return to the Title screen.



## THE ULTIMATE MISSION

In 2048, the world is ruled by a dictator known as Grandmaster.

In Eastern Europe, the site of Grandmaster's capital, the pressure of the government's tyranny has erupted in a battle between the Kazakhstan government and the rebel partisans.

Under these adverse conditions, an assassin is about to sneak into the capital that has so cruelly flaunted its absolute power.

The assassin's name is Hiryu, the youngest A-Class Strider in an assassin group called Striders. Originating from ninja stock, Striders are professionals in fighting and espionage.

Hiryu's assigned mission is the most important and dangerous in history ... to assassinate Grandmaster.

With his well-trained physical skills and fearsome weapons, can Strider Hiryu complete the ultimate mission? The fate of the entire planet is in his hands!

## PRTING THE GAME

### MODE SELECT

Press START at the Title screen and the Mode Select screen will appear. Choose a game mode with the Directional Buttons and confirm with the \* button.



IP PLAY One player only.

2P PLAY Two players take turns playing. Each time either player's character dies, the players switch turns. You must insert a second controller <sold separately> into your PlayStation game console in order to play this made.

OPTION

Adjust the difficulty level, button assignments, and other game settings. See page 20.

### PAUSE MENU

Press SELECT to open the Pause Menu. Choose an option with the Directional Buttons and confirm with the # button

CONTINUE

Continue game.



### SCREEN ADJUST

Center your screen display.

KEY CONFIG Reset the button assignments and turn the DUALSHOCK analog controller's vibration function ON/OFF.

DUIT

End game and return to the Title screen.

### DEPOULT CONTROLS

### DUALSHOCK" ANALOG CONTROLLER

LI Button - Used for soft reset only

Directional Buttons - Highlight selections on screens and menus

- → ← move Strider Hirvy when he's on the ground
- ♣ move Strider Hiryu when he's on a wall or ceiling.
- + Jump make Strider Hiryu jump down from a wall or ceiling

### R1 Button - Used for soft reset only

- ▲ Cancel selection
- Hold to attack rapidly you can also slide by pressing **U** + Jump>
- Attack
- \* Confirm selection - Jump

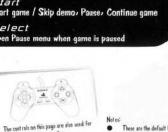
### Start

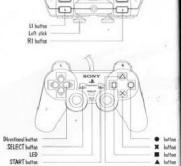
Start game / Skip demo, Pause, Continue game

Select

Open Pause menu when game is paused

digital controllers.





L2 button RZ button

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### IP SCORE

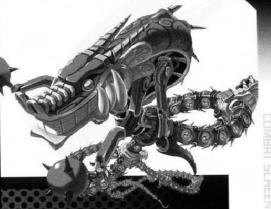
Player 1's current score.

### TIMER

Remaining time for the area. When it reaches zero, you lose one Life.

# HIGH SCORE

The highest score made in the game.



2P SCORE Player 2's current score.

# VITALITY GAUGE

Strider Hiryu's remaining vitality. When it drops to zero, you lose one life.

# LIVES REMAINING

Number of Lives you have left. Lose them all and you lose the game.

# STRIDER 1



You can find items by breaking item boxes, which you'll discover in certain places on the stage. Enemies may also drop item boxes.

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HI

Restores Strider Hiryu's vitality by one.

?

HIRYU

Restores Strider Hiryus vitality completely.

?

RYU

Increases Strider Hiryus maximum vitality by one, up to five degrees.



CYPHER

Lengthens Strider Hiryus attack range for the next few attacks.

?

INVINCIBILITY

Strider Hiryu becomes invincible for 30 seconds.

?

IUP

Adds another Life.

# STRIDER 1

## TOPOT ITEMS

Collect robot items to give Strider Hiryu special powers.

- DOPTION A robot rotates around Strider Hiryu. When Strider Hiryu attacks, the robot also fires a bullet. When Strider Hiryu gets Option A, the color of the vitality gauge changes. If you lose a gauge with a changed color, you lose Option A.
- OPTION B A tiger-shaped robot runs around Strider Hiryu and attacks enemies approaching him. The tiger robot disappears after a while or after it takes damage.
- OPTION C A hawk-shaped robot flies over Strider Hiryu and attacks enemies approaching him.



### PHON MENU

Select OPTION on the Game Mode screen to go to the Option Menu. Choose an option with the Directional Buttons Change the settings with the Directional Buttons press the \* button to display a submenu.



DIFFICULTY Add stars to make the game more difficult.

TIME LIMIT When ON, you'll have a limited time to clear each area.

**PLAYERS** Your statring number of Lives.

Reach the score you set here to receive a bonus Life. **EXTEND** 

SOUND MODE Choose STEREO or MONAURAL.

KEY CONFIG Reset the button assignments and turn the DUALSHOCK

analog controller's vibration function ON/OFF.

BMG TEST Sample the game's background music.

BMG/SE VOLUME Adjust the volume of background music and sound effects.

SCREEN ADJUST Center your screen display.

SAVE/LOAD Save or load ranking data and option settings.

When this option is ON, each stage and boss character will SOUND REMIX

have newly arranged music.

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